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For: METHOD FOR SHAPING AN INITIAL PROFILE OR A SIMILAR WORKPIECE
USING AN INTERNAL HIGH PRESSURE AND PROFILE THEREFOR-----
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to the issuance of a first Office Action and simultaneously with the filing of the present divisional application, please amend said application as follows:

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

_____ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

1. X If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2. If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3. X If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4. X If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.

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